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STATE MINING & GEOLOGY BOARD





NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Monday, April 29, 2002 1:30 P. M.

Department of Conservation 1027 10th Street, 6th Floor Conference Room Sacramento, CA

The State Mining and Geology Board (SMGB) will conduct a public hearing, pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act, '11346.8 solely to receive comments, statements, arguments, and written materials pertinent to the proposed action from the public and other interested parties on the following proposed rulemaking:

The SMGB proposes to amend §3502 of Article 1, the California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 14, Division 2, Chapter 8, Subchapter 1. This regulation clarifies and makes specific the contents of a reclamation plan required by the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975 as to the plan objectives, plan elements, adequacy, and scope of application. This regulation also clarifies the requirement that surface mines have one reclamation plan, and describes criteria that must be considered by a local lead agency when making a determination that a proposed or actual change in a surface mining operation constitutes a substantial deviation from the original operation. Specifically, this regulation addresses PRC §§ 2712, 2756, 2757, 2770, 2772, and 2773.

Comments received during this hearing will be transmitted to the SMGB for its consideration at its May 9, 2002 regular business meeting prior to any actions to adopt the above referenced amended regulation.

For further information regarding this public hearing or the proposed amendment, please contact Kit Gonzales, Executive Assistant, State Mining and Geology Board, 801 K Street, MS 24-05, Sacramento, California 95814; or at (916) 322-1082.